

Please join us in prayer for:

... those in need of our prayers:

Louise Harward (HA)(CH) Kate Touhy (CH)
John Edwards (CH) Lita Edgell (CH)
Jessie Hill (CH)

... those ill, at home or in hospital:

Steve Chicken (CH) Lynne Hammond (CH)
Sarah Ives (SH) Margaret De Bolz (SH)

... the family and friends of those who have recently died

Andrew Hooper (HA) Rodney Freeman (HA)
Alan Burrows (SH)

If you would like to be included in our prayers, if you know of somebody who might be interested, or if you wish to come off the list, then please contact Liesbeth on 781902, or email to l.oosterhof@btinternet.com

Like every other charity, we need your help to be of help in our parishes. To support the work of the churches in our benefice, you can donate scanning the code or by going to:

[St Mary's Harkstead Online Giving - Give A Little](#)

NB St Mary's Harkstead are kindly administering the donations for the benefice!

Thank you for your generosity!



This news sheet is available on our websites and delivered by email every week to all those who wish to receive it. If you know of someone who would like to receive this news sheet, please get in touch!

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NOTICES FOR 23rd February '25

The Second Sunday before Lent

Collect for the Second Sunday before Lent

Almighty God,
give us reverence for all creation
and respect for every person,
that we may mirror your likeness
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Readings for the Second Sunday before Lent

Genesis 2.4b–9, 15–end, Psalm 65, Revelation 4,
Luke 8.22–25

From Psalm 65

You still the raging of the seas,
the roaring of their waves
and the clamour of the peoples.
Those who dwell at the ends of the earth
tremble at your marvels;
the gates of the morning and evening sing your praise.

Services, worship and prayer time for the coming week

Information about midweek worship is in italics

Wednesday Morning Worship will be delivered by email in February

Sunday 2/3: Next Sunday before Lent

9.30am Benefice Holy Communion, St Mary's,
Harkstead

This year **Ash Wednesday** falls on Wednesday 5th March. If you have any **Palm Crosses** lying around, please bring them along and leave them at the back of the church so we can use them to make the ashes for the Ash Wednesday service.



Worship in the Cathedral:

A schedule of services up to Sunday 2 March can be found here:

<https://stedscathedral.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/02/2025-02-16.pdf>

The cathedral live streams most of their services on their YouTube Channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stedscathedral/streams>

Events @ the Cathedral

Our Cathedral offers an amazing program of events including popular & classical concerts, holiday activities, tower tours, talks and lectures, and much more!

Please check the Cathedral's website for more details:

<https://stedscathedral.org/whats-on/>

APCM/PCC Meetings

Chelmondiston: PCC Tuesday 29th April, 7.30 pm, Church Room

Harkstead: APCM Thursday 3rd April, 7.00pm in church

Erwarton: APCM Wednesday 30th April, 7.00pm in church

Shotley: APCM Thursday 20th March, 7.30pm in church

Commissioning of the Acting Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich

Sunday 2 March, 3.30pm St Edmundsbury Cathedral

All are warmly invited to attend the Commissioning of Bishop Graeme Knowles as Acting Bishop of St Edmundsbury and Ipswich. This is a wonderful opportunity to relay our support for Bishop Graeme as he fulfils his duties throughout the recruitment process. Refreshments will follow the service. For seating and catering purposes, please confirm your attendance by emailing: erinseligman@stedscathedral.org by

Monday 24 February.

Benefice Lent Course - Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Dietrich Bonhoeffer (1906-1945) was a German pastor, theologian, ecumenist, and peace activist, after spending two year in prison was executed weeks before the end of the war having been involved in the unsuccessful assassination attempt of Hitler. Our Lent course will reflect on his life and faith in times that have chilling similarities to all that is going on in todays world, and will use material from "Faith, Lies, and Spies: Bonhoeffer's Life and You" by Andrew Root. The course will run as an interchangeable morning and an evening group in the Rectory.

1st meeting: Thursday 6/3 @ 7.30pm & Tuesday 11/3 @ 10.00am

2nd meeting: Wednesday 12/3 @ 7.30pm & Tuesday 18/3 @ 10.00am

3rd meeting: Wednesday 19/3 @ 7.30pm & Tuesday 25/3 @ 10.00am

4th meeting: Wednesday 26/3 @ 7.30pm & Tuesday 1/4 @ 10.00am

5th meeting: Wednesday 2/4 @ 7.30pm & Tuesday 8/4 @ 10.00am

Please let Liesbeth know you are coming.

World Day of Prayer Service - Friday 7th March, 2.00pm

The Mothers Union will be celebrating the WDP in St Andrew's, Chelmondiston, followed by refreshments.

If you would like to take part by, for example, doing a reading please contact Christine Ward: cmward1@btinternet.com